

TO THE HONORABLE THE JUDGES OF THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF BEAVER COUNTY.

THE PETITION of *Christopher Heister* a native of *Muttenberg* respectfully  
sheweth: That he declared on *Oath* before the *Prothonotary of the Court of Common  
Pleas of Beaver County* on the *23* day of *November* 18*58* that it was *bona fide*  
his intention to become a citizen of the United States, and to renounce forever all allegiance and fidelity to any prince,  
potentate, state or sovereignty whatever, and particularly to the *King* of *Muttenberg* of  
whom he was at that time a *subject* ;

that your petitioner has resided within the United States upwards  
of five years, and in the State of Pennsylvania one year, both periods immediately preceding this his application to be-  
come a citizen of the United States; and that he has never borne any hereditary title, or been of any of the orders of  
nobility in his own or any other country.

He therefore prays that, on his making the proof and taking the oath prescribed by law, he may be admitted a  
citizen of the United States of America. And he will ever pray, &c.

*Christopher Heister*

*Beaver County*  
*Conrad Tyeon*

a citizen of the United States, being duly sworn  
according to law, saith that he knows and is well acquainted with *Christopher Heister* the  
petitioner; that to his knowledge he has resided in the United States five years, and in the State of Pennsylvania one  
year, both periods immediately preceding his application to become a citizen; that during the said period of five years,  
he has behaved as a person of good moral character, attached to principles of the constitution of the United States,  
and well disposed to the good order and happiness of the same.

*Thomas Wilson*

*Sworn* in open Court.

*M. Quay*

Prothonotary.

I, *Christopher Heister* do swear that the contents of my petition are true;  
that I will support the constitution of the United States; and I now renounce and relinquish any title or order of no-  
bility to which am now or hereafter may be entitled; and I do absolutely and entirely renounce and abjure all allegi-  
ance and fidelity to any foreign prince, potentate, state or sovereignty whatever, and particularly to the *King* of  
of *Muttenberg* of which I was before a *subject* *Christopher Heister*

*Sworn* in open court this *15* day of *December* 18*60*

*M. Quay*

Prothonotary.